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Continuing a 40 year trend of Academy Award winning entertainment, Hal Wallis brings to the screen the life and times of Henry the Eighth and his romance with the beautiful Anne Boleyn who later lost her head in the Tower of London.

"Anne of the Thousand Days" is full of the pageantry and excitement that made this one of the great eras of English history. Starring Richard Burton and newcomer, Genevieve Bujold, the picture fills the screen with pageantry and spectacle

Released three months early, "Anne of the Thousand Days," is expected to place Miss Bujold in Oscar competition. Wallis who also brought "Becket," "True Grit", "Little Caesar" and more than 400 other major pictures to the screen, predicts this will be one of his finest films.

In this issue of Hollywood Studio Magazine, John Ringo Graham explores the career of this amazing producer and discovers his real life resembles some of his movies.

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ALMIRA SESSIONS CHARACTER ACTRESS



"A Girl Can't Be a Jack-Ass All Her Life!"

I was sitting in the Garden Room of the Hotel Roosevelt with a bearded publicist from MGM, and Almira Sessions, a veteran character if there ever was one. The room was deserted except for a lady tourist three booths away who was expecting to see a star flutter in. Her ear was cocked in our direction and it was clear from the look on her face, she considered us desperate gigolo's trying to line up a customer.

Almira Sessions is an improbable name for an actress – or almost anyone else for that matter – but then she has had 80

by Frank Taylor

years to get used to the idea. She has carved a solid nitche in the crass world of agents, producers, and hungry actors who will do almost anything to get a part without resorting to a glamourous stage name. After nearly 30 years, she is such a well known bit player, the telephone rings continually for interviews and auditions.

Almira has enough property to live comfortably without acting, but she refuses to quit. Bit by bit the reason comes out in her conversation. "I wonder sometimes if I should quit show business or let the government take care of me. But who wants to retire? I expect to keep working until I drop. That's my ambition."

"For instance if I retired, what would I do with me? Old people drag themselves to the market, but they don't drag much back, they don't have the money when you live on social security. I knew Percy Killbride for years, and one day I had to help him back to his room at the Hotel Montecito He could hardly walk, his legs were so wobbly. All alone and poor. Who wants that? I could go to the Motion Picture Country House, but there you sit opposite the dame who squandered her money on men, but you will spend the rest of your life hearing how good they made it during their careers."

Almira has some definite ideas about how to spend your sunset years. "Arrange your finish," she told us sagely, "the things you want for yourself late in life. You arrive without warning, you are snatched away the same way. It's a dreary life. A friend of mine went for a ride with her family one day and never came back. They took her to a rest home."

Because of her property and fairly steady income, Almira is often urged by her friends to spend more of her money. "Spend it! Spend it!" my friends say. So you do, then you live on without the money - and nobody cares a kitty. While most of her family has died off, Almira isn't completely alone. She has 11 cats to keep the fireside bright.

"I eat out, all my meals," she smiles, "if I didn't the cats would eat it off my plate before I could get it into my mouth. Besides, going out to eat is an escape from a room and a bath. My life is out period. Out to work, out for entertainment, out for meals."

Walking down a street, almost anywhere can be a chore for Almira. Her face is so familiar strangers stop to talk to her or ---

my life.

"I married a very young man once, who wants an old one?" she began matter-of-factly, "and later he inherited something, but that doesn't concern me. We're divorced. I saw to that before I came out here to make the almighty dollar." At the present time she hinted, "I've stopped looking."

"I was the first one raped and found dead in 'The Boston Strangler,' " she went on with a note of pride in her voice. "It was one of my most dramatic roles." The woman three booths away blinked and choked over her blueberry pancakes. "But in '... tick ... tick ... ' I only said Hurrmuph!' and I think that is going to be one of the best things I ever did. I'm very proud of it."

She won't wait for the movie to be released before trying to find a better part. The world of an aging actress is work, auditions, work and more auditions. Almira makes the rounds of all the studio casting offices, producers auditions and interviews. Usually she finds stiff competition.

"The crowds of women who show up are really something," she confided. "All kinds, poverty stricken, fat and thin, well dressed, most of them are 60 to 80 years old. But a few of the young ones dye their hair grey and try to whiddle old V ----

was simple enough. I didn't think I had that good of a figure, and I didn't want the boys who were calling on me to be able to come down and have a lot.

After the Aborn Opera farce, Almira hit the Vaudeville boards. At first she played it straight. With a good, strong voice, she hoped to win fame as a singer. "I did the whole bit, trills, classical, and popular," she recalls, "but none of it seemed to set the world on fire." One day she hammed up part of her act and made a discovery. "Found out 1 could make more money singing off key than I could singing on." That changed her life.

She had found her stride. But success was still always a heart beat away, and her finances rose and fell like the tides of politics in Washington. When things were too much to take in show business. Almira would pack up and go back to her family. Her friends included Ethel Roosevelt, Helen Taft and Alice Roosevelt Longworth, but most of her acquaintances were dull and boring.

When she couldn't take parties and the dull social life of Washington any longer. she would pack her bags, get a booking and head for the stage again. After coming west, things picked up for her. The list of credits are endless and so are the stars she has worked with. The all-time favorite was Gary Cooper, but right behind him comes Elvis Presley Fredrick March, "He's so cuddly," and Fred MacMurray.

After seeing Elvis Presley for the first time, Almira was enchanted and called Mike Connolley at the Hollywood Reporter. After giving the columnist a long pitch on the virtues of Presley Connolley said: "Who is he?" Almira also likes to take some of the credit for introducing Cary Grant to the movies.

"I met him in a hotel lobby and asked if he was working. He wasn't, so I suggested he see a friend of mine. He did, got a part and shortly afterwards went to Hollywood. Greer Garson was one of her favorite lady stars, mainly because of an odd incident. "I worked with her once, then years later we were on the same set at MGM and when she saw me, she recited my dialog. That was some compliment."

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Speaking of Mickey Rooney, Almira went on, "I didn't think he was funny on or off camera." When queried about Claudette Colbert, who she worked with in "Family Affair," she said simply: "I don't remember anything about her." Although she never appeared in the same scene with Judy Garland, Almira has a soft spot in her heart for the star.

"I was supposed to be Judy's nurse when she was a child, so I was gone by Continued on Page 10

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ANTHONY QUINN-PROFILE

Basically a man of small pretense, Anthony Quinn behaves and lives exactly like what he is: to wit, an international superstar. His strength and assurance demand respect and he gets it.

To him, acting is a very serious business and not to be trifled with. "He takes acting as seriously as he takes chess," says a friend, Syl Lamont, who is his daily chess opponent on and off the set of "Nobody Loves Flapping Eagle," Quinn's new starring picture.

"Actually, Tony isn't a brilliant chess player," Lamont declares, "but he's a tenacious one, and I have beat him only once in approximately ten years time. Of course, I'm not a very good player."

As a star, Tony brushes aside the traditional portable dressing room – which is a little square box with a couch, two chairs and a lighted mirror and which is hauled around from stage to stage for working stars. Tony has a sizeable, two-room, with bath, mobile home which is driven onto the stage where he is working and which becomes his home by day. He even takes lunch there, and has conferences there, and naps there.

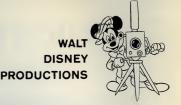
It's all part of the Quinn status. Tony's stern visage, his unapproachable demeanor and his absence of willing communication are attitudes which set him somewhat aside during the filming of a picture. "It isn't that he isn't friendly," somebody said. "He's so damned serious about his work that he doesn't leave any room for sociability."

During the filming of "Nobody Loves Flapping Eagle," the only person who has been able to crack the Quinn wall of silence has been Shelly Winters who has never been famous for her restraint. She positively overwhelms Quinn with words and concern, and totally ignores his lack of response. Pretty soon her talkativeness and indomitable spirit become contagious, and Tony finds himself TRYING to get in on the act.



ANTHONY QUINN AND TONY BILL







UNDER THE GRAND TETONS - While on location in Jackson Hole, Wyoming for Walt Disney Productions' dramatic western adventure, "The Newcomers," the picture's stars Steve Forrest and Vera Miles act out a scene with young Clint Howard. In color by Technicolor, "The Newcomers" also stars Ronny Howard, Jack Elam and Morgan Woodward.

"THE NEWCOMERS"

by Tom Jones

The production on "The Newcomers," a dramatic western adventure starring Steve Forrest, Vera Miles and Jack Elam, filmed in Jackson Hole, Wyoming under Robert Totten's direction, signals the beginning of a \$33,000,000 motion picture program at Walt Disney Productions for 1969 and 1970, according to the studio's executive producer Ron Miller, who is also producing "Newcomers" at an estimated cost of \$2,500,000.

"The Boatniks," also budgeted at \$2,500,000 is shooting in Newport



SIDELINE ADVICE – An intent Vera Miles hangs on director Robert Totten's every word in the interpretation of a scene.



FATHER TO SON ADVICE – Ronny Howard gets some parental advice from his actor dad, Rance, about a scene while on location.



SO THAT'S HOW IT'S DONE! – Camera operator Bill Johnson comes in for a big, fat close-up of Ronny Howard and Steve Forrest during the location filming.

in production, "The Lost Ones" and "Scandalous John." "The Lost Ones" is a \$6,000,000 science-fiction epic in the Jules Verne tradition of "20,000 Leagues Under the Sea," in which three professional adventurers stumble upon a volcanic island in the Arctic Circle that is inhabited by fierce Nordic giants. It will also be produced by Winston Hibler.

"Scandalous John," a \$2,500,000 comedy, follows the misadventures of a modern day Don Quixote who lives in the chivalrous western tradition and runs into all kinds of windmills along the way with his Sancho Panza-like sidekick. Bill Walsh and Don DaGradi are scripting, with Walsh again producing. Beach. Starring in the comedy about the world's largest concentration of inept yachtsmen are Robert Morse, Stefanie Powers, and Phil Silvers. Norman Tokar directs and Ron Miller produces.

Getting a big share of the budget allotment is "Bedknob and Broomstick," a \$6,500,000 musical fantasy comprising live action cartoon animation and unusual special effects on the order of "Mary Poppins," the top grossing Disney picture. Oscar nominee Ron Moody of "Oliver" has already been set for one of the starring roles.

The successful "Poppins" team will again guide this one, with Bill Walsh and Don DaGradi scripting, Walsh producing, Robert Stevenson directing and the brothers Richard M. and Robert B. Sherman writing the music. The story is about an amateur witch, who is adopted by three homeless children and falls in love with a con man. They all go off on a fantastic trip aboard a flying four-poster bed with a magic bedknob and help thwart the German invasion of England during World War II. The picture will be a year in production and begins early in 1970.

Set to roll in the spring is "Paniola." Winston Hibler and Ron Miller will produce this \$3,500,000 period western about a Texan's colorful exploits on a ranch in Hawaii and his adventures with the islanders and cattle rustlers.

The Disney studio's ambitious 1970 summer schedule will have two pictures

Planned for the winter of 1970 is "Chateau Bon Vivant," a \$2,500,000 comedy about a New York businessman who inherits a broken down ski lodge in northern Quebec and by a fluke turns it into a going resort. Ron Miller will produce.

Set, too, at about this time, is "The Rating Game," budgeted at \$2,500,000. The picture will revolve around the unpredictable world of the TV rating system. It will be produced by Bill Anderson.

"The Aristocats," a \$4,500,000 animated cartoon feature which has been in production for the past two years, will be a Christmas, 1970, attraction.



"DISNEY ON PARADE" – Thomas W. Sernoff, NBC executive Robert Maxwell, "Disney on Parade" general manager, and Robert F. Jani, Director of Entertainment for Disneyland, meet for a presentation of the touring arena show. Mickey Mouse will appear live in 22 cities starting in Chicago, Christmas Night.

DISNEY MUSICAL BASED ON VICTOR

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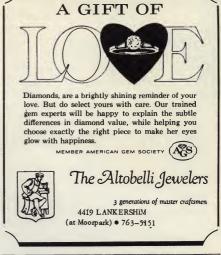
Music was as important to the creative sensibilities of Walt Disney at was animation. He always referred to his cartoon productions as musicals. And just as he adapted classical fairy tales for his animated features, he sought out a classical music experience for his initial effort in the live-action musical.

Disney's first musical was "Babes in Toyland," which will premiere on TV in a two-part Christmas Special on "The Wonderful World of Disney," NBC-TV, SUNDAY EVENINGS OF DEC. 21 and 28. This fantasy motion picture, rooted in technique to cartoon making, was based on the world famous storybook operetta by Victor Herbert.

In color by Technicolor, "Babes in Toyland" stars Ray Bolger, Tommy Sands, Annette Funicello and the late Ed Wynn. Released theatrically during the 1961-62 Christmas season, this enchanting musical is among the all-time top one hundred money-making motion pictures.

"Babes in Toyland" was not only significant in Disney history as that studio's first musical, but also as its first live-action cartoon. A Merry Holiday Season







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the time she appeared as a young girl. I missed working with her in a scene. But MGM was a wonderful studio. Now, though it is awful. I tried to get in the front gate and it was locked. Finally I had to go around to the backdoor. Things have gone down hill there."

Normally unless her pictures appear on television on the Late, Late, Show, Almira doenn't watch them. She played the part of a hag in "Rosemary's Baby" who carried a cat around. The scene was almost a disaster for her. "That cat bit me, and here I am taking care of 11 others plus two who show up for dinner every night."

She isn't knocking herself out to see "Rosemary's Baby" but she is very anxious to see "...tick ... tick ... tick ... " "That is going to be a wonderful picture," she predicted. But as always, the only movie that matters to Almira is the next one. I just can't remember most of the pictures I have been in. I used to keep lists, but it got to be too numerous so I dropped it."

Fame may not have smiled on Almira Sessions in the form of stardom, but she isn't worried. "See this ring?" She asked holding up an antique diamond ring. "I bought it for \$900 once and it is worth plenty now. But my hands are wrinkled and don't look good anymore. Still I've got the ring and someone else has the hands — without a ring it's better that way I feel."

"When I take a job, I never know if it will be the last one or not, but who cares, I'm working not living on relief, and that's the way I want it." And what is more amazing in an era of nudity, she doesn't have to take her clothes off to win a part.

OTTO ENGLANDER

Otto Englander, 63, died of a heart attack at his home in Hollywood on Monday, October 13.

He was a cartoon story man and screen writer for Walt Disney Productions for 22 years.

Born in Tuzla, Yugoslavia in 1906, Englander was educated at the Academy of Commerce and World Academy in Vienna and at the Vienna Conservatory. A linguist, musician and artist he came to the United States in the late 20's and was art director for Chester Advertising Company in New York. He worked as a storyman for Harmon-Ising Productions and MGM.

Surviving is his widow, Erna, and a brother.



RON GRANT SIGNED TO COMPOSE FOR "THE ACTIVIST" Ron Edmond Grant has been signed

by producers Art and Jo Napoleon to compose original music to be added to the score of "The Activist," a Regional Film Distributors, Inc. release.

"SKULLDUGGERY" DISPLAY OF ARTIFACTS OPENS AT UNIVERSAL TOUR CENTER

Artifacts of museum quality obtained in New Guinea during the filming of Saul David's Universal production of "Skullduggery" are now on display at the Universal Tour Center as the first of a series of exploitation projects for the Technicolor adventure fantasy.

Designed by Ed Graves, who will serve as art director on David's forthcoming production for Universal of "Dove Creek Rodeo," and assembled by Eric Orbom, of the studio's art department, the display of New Guinea artifacts will tour the country before the release of "Skullduggery."

Burt Reynolds and Susan Clark star in "Skullduggery," which was directed by Gordon Douglas from Nelson Gidding's screenplay.

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JOTS FROM OUR LOT

by Francesca Dorsey

LEVEN PRODUCTION DESIGNER FOR "ANDROMEDA"

Producer-director Robert Wise has signed Boris Leven as production designer on "The Andromeda Strain" which Wise will make for Universal release. Leven begins work immediately on a unique five-story ultra-modern underground laboratory in which much of the science thriller's action takes place.

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UNIVERSAL'S "WINNING"

Universal's "Winning," in current release, starring Paul Newman, Joanne Woodward and Robert Wagner, is expected by the studio to wind up its worldwide exhibition as the largest grossing general release motion picture in the company's history.

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SIDOWITZ SET TO SCRIPT UNIVERSAL'S "TOUCH"

Scripter Hal Sidowitz has been signed to write the screenplay for "Touch," upcoming motion picture which Mark Robson will direct for Universal. "Touch," based on an original story by Frederick Raphael, will be produced by Phil Barry.



Wallabies do not stay in cages very long, as kangaroo fans know well. Lee Naud, of Universal Studios Tour Petting Farm staff, calms down the newcomer. "Willie" the wallaby came to Universal recently and shortly will join other birds and animals in daily shows at the Visitor's Entertainment Center at Universal.







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It's a feeling shared by several hundred employees of Universal City Studios. On Monday, November 10, they donated 319 pints of blood to the Red Cross, setting a new record for a Bloodmobile drive at any studio.

That's enough blood to provide transfusions for the entire cast of THE WILD BUNCH with plenty left over for the first three reels of BEACH RED... even if they weren't Universal pictures.

However, this blood had a different purpose.

It wasn't long before it was put to usé. By noon on Monday, the first twenty-four pints donated were sent to the Red Cross center, processed, and used in transfusions. The Bloodmobile doesn't waste time. It can't. Emergencies won't wait.

by Jerry Connelly

The 319-pint record was reached with the help of a concentrated campaign by labor and management leaders to recruit donors ... and through hard work by Universal's Basil Casabona, Cecil Swartz, Jim Harris, and Lucille Akana, Blood Group Chairman. Each contributor was given his choice of a Decca, Kapp or UNI record album. A sweepstakes drawing provided added incentive, and, of course, there was the usual reward of hot, fresh coffee and cookies.

Basil Casabona, head of Universal's Craft Service Department, set some sort of record of his own. Mr. Casabona donated a pint of blood, as usual – but it was the last he'll be allowed to give because he's reached the maximum age limit of sixty. Over the years, Basil's given more than four gallons of blood . . . and he doesn't even look pale.

The Bloodmobile Bank is made possible through the facilities of the Red Cross, with the support of members of the motion picture and television industry. Donations are made available to industry members in emergencies requiring blood or its derivatives.

WARNER BROTHERS SEVEN ARTS BY MYRTLE GILROY



JACK L. WARNER, movie pioneer was honored by Warner Bros, 7 Arts for his 40 year contributation to the movie Industry at at testimonial reception attended by over 900 quests.





Anthony Quinn (Flapping Eagle), Claude Akins (Lobo) and Tony Bill (Eleven Snowflake) fumble a railroad switch in a scene for " Nobody Loves Flapping Eagle " a Jerry Adler production for Warner 7 Arts.

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Baldo Dal Ponte is billed as the "Modern Day Caruso", while Giovanna Coppola captivitates audiences with her fresh, lush, Italian voice.

Giovanna was born in Hollywood, attended local schools and colleges, and graduated from San Fernando Valley State. She has made many concert appearances including one at the Lindy Opera House, and has been guest soloist with the Downey Symphony. Outstandingly beautiful, she sings with a quality and sonority that is most impressive.

Baldo Dal Ponte was born in America, but grew up in Italy. His vocal career began in Los Angeles where he studied and appeared with the University of Southern California, UCLA, American and Riverside Opera Companies. Performing throughout the West, he has had engagements with the San Francisco Spring Opera, Laguna Festival of Arts and the Honolulu Opera Festival.

These two talented artists are presently performing in three concerts in Munich, Germany. They have sung in Rome, Florence, and Milan, Italy, and also in Paris, France.

Anyone interested in obtaining further information about Giovanna Coppola and Baldo Dal Ponte may write to this Magazine, Drawer M, Sherman Oaks, California, 91403



WALT DISNEY EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS COMPANY NEW SUBSIDIARY

Walt Disney Productions has taken a major step in diversification with the establishment of a new and whollly owned subsidiary, Walt Disney Educational Materials Company.

This is a natural move for the Disney organization with a long history in creative motion picture production and a varied background in special informational film projects for business and industry, and for the government and armed forces during World War II.

The company will specialize in providing a complete educational program of 16mm sound films, 8mm silent "Single Concept" loop film, study prints, 35mm film strips, both sound and silent, and a line of study records.

The 16mm educational film library offers some 126 subjects in a dozen different categories such as nature, people and places, health, safety, art and history.

There are currently eight films in production or being prepared especially for the Educational Materials Company. Five are on morals and manners and three will deal with legendary characters, the field of communications and the art of animation.

The 8mm single concept color film loops are a dramatic, new effective teaching aid which expand the advantages of teaching with motion pictures in the classroom before small groups and for individual self-instruction. They run from one to four minutes in length and are marketed for viewing from a Technicolor cartridge projector. A loop film may be run continuously until the concept under study is fully understood, or it may be stopped at any point for further discussion. There are 191 nature subjects available from the famous Disney nature library and 80 additional loops will be offered on social studies. They're accompanied by comprehensive study guides.

In work for schools is a library of 35mm filmstrips covering more than 100 subjects available either silent or with sound.

A program of educational records called "Classroom Listening Experiences" are being prepared in conjunction with the Disney record company. This will be a completely new series of informative material encompassing a wide selection of story tellers, vocabulary builders, activities and interests and general information.

Education Materials Company is also readying a series of "Read Along" books Continued on Page 32



HAL WALLIS HOLLWOOD'S MR. CLEAN

By Frank Taylor al Wallis is probably the only producer in Hollywood right now who can take an unknown actor, a script salted with pure language where the worst thing a star is required to say is "damı," tress his cast in clothes from the neck to the ground, pick a historical theme, and still make money with it. Yet, formulas like this have made Wallis the most consistantly successful producer in Hollywood history, filling his trophy case with 32 Oscars, and 121 Academy Award nominations.

According to him, the Wallis secret if there is one, is good taste. He has made a career out of finding unknowns and making them stars in clean pictures with a mass appeal. He keeps the common touch by reading farm and ranch journals, and avoiding permissiveness on the screen. His old pictures dominate the Late, Late, Late, Show, and currents, set box office records. Thanks in part to the vision of Wallis casting John Wayne in "True Grit," the actor is likely to win his first Oscar in over 200 motion pictures. Other stars

Hal Wallis Won 32 Oscars Without Violating Good Taste

When Warner Bros. bought their present studio at the corner of Barham and Warner Blvds., in 1928, the first studio boss was Hal Wallis. For many years, Wallis was a Valley resident and directed the activities of the giant studio both as studio manager and later chief of production.

His most recent motion picture, "Anne of the Thousand Days," was shot on location in England and released by another Valley studio, Universal, marks a new milestone in his distinguished career. Author John Ringo Graham explores the background of Hal Wallis in his penetrating article and discovers that the famed producer once found himself doing in real life what he had his actors do on the screen.



GENEVIEVE BUJOLD AND HAL WALLIS ON THE SET

Pomp and ceremony mark the production of Hal Wallis' "Anne of the Thousand Days."



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ANNE OF THE 1000 DAYS

Continuing a 40 year trend of Academy Award winning entertainment, Hal Wallis brings to the screen the life and times of Henry the Eighth and his romance with the beautiful Anne Boleyn who later lost her head in the Tower of London.

"Anne of the Thousand Days" is full of the pageantry and excitement that made this one of the great eras of English history. Starring Richard Burton and newcomer, Genevieve Bujold, the picture fills the screen with pageantry and spectacle

Released three months early, "Anne of the Thousand Days," is expected to place Miss Bujold in Oscar competition. Wallis who also brought "Becket," "True Grit", "Little Caesar" and more than 400 other major pictures to the screen, predicts this will be one of his finest films.

In this issue of Hollywood Studio Magazine, John Ringo Graham explores the career of this amazing producer and discovers his real life resembles some of his movies.



Caught in a pensive mood by the camera, Richard Burton ponders his portrayal of Henry the Eighth.

have earned Oscars because Wallis gave them a chance to make a major picture with a leading role.

Now a young unknown from Canada stands a good chance of doing the same thing in the latest Wallis production of "Anne of the Thousand Days," for Universal. The producer found Genevieve Bujold in a minor film she had made for her husband and immediately decided she should play the title role of Anne Boleyn opposite Richard Burton. The results have been so spectacular, Universal has decided to release the film three months early in order to qualify for Oscar consideration.

In his 40 years of motion picture producing and management, Wallis has uncovered more talent than any other man. A list of his discoveries reads like the "Who's Who?" of Hollywood. Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, Dean Martin, Jerry Lewis, Charlton Heston, Shirley MacLaine, Errol Flynn, Elvis Presley, Shirley Booth, Kim Darby, Glen Campbell, and a host of others all received their first starring roles in Wallis pictures.

Edward G. Robinson, Humphrey Bogart, and Oliva deHavilland were snatched from obscure careers on the Warner Bros. lot and elevated to stardom by the Wallis touch, and such screen classics as "Little Caesar", "I am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang", "Dawn Patrol," "Gold Diggers of 1933", "The Rose Tattoo," "Sorry, Wrong Number," "Come Back, Little Sheba," and "Last Train from Gun Hill" have assured Wallis of a secure place in Hollywood history. But the only history Wallis is interested in, is that which he puts on film. Many of his pictures have delt with themes of heroic times, and past glory, and there is a reason for this. Both Wallis and the late Cecil B. DeMille discovered long ago that history sells. People going to the movies like to escape and Wallis has a knack for helping them escape through the medium of his pictures.

"Becket," "Casablanca," and "The Charge of the Light Brigade" (the first one with Errol Flynn) are remembered as much for the story content as the acting. As the old Hollywood studios are gradually taken over by bankers and cost accountants, Wallis predicts a decline in movie popularity and quality.

"The film business," he points out, "is not one that can be run on normal commercial lines. You're not mass producing paper towels or stamping out auto parts. Every picture is highly



Doing a bit part, Elizabeth Taylor peers from behind an elaborate mask in a key scene at the insistance of husband Richard Burton.



Genevieve Bujold and Richard Burton relax on the set while a make-upman gives their faces a touch up.



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KISSING COUSINS – Christine Jorgensen greets Timmy the Chimp with a big fat juicy kiss during a break on the set of United Artists' "Christine." Supporting Timmy is his agent, Frank Inn.

ALL RIGHT COACH – Animal trainer Frank Inn gives Timmy the Chimp some last minute instructions before he assumes his role as a trans-sexual monkey in UA's "Christine." John Hansen, who plays the tile role, and Will Kulva watch their furry rivalry.



Frank Inn has become famous by the company he keeps – and if the company he keeps becomes famous, it's usually a result of Frank's tireless efforts.

The celebrities who owe their animal magneticism to his stern yet benevolent guidance could easily fill thirty pages in the Academy Directory or ten in the Yellow Pages. Thanks to Frank, "Green Acres" resident Arnold the Pig (all four of them) has two Patsy awards cluttering his pig pen. Instead of living in a normal home, Patsy winner Tramp enjoys romping with the Douglas family on "My Three Sons," while hairy Timmy is the only chimp on television who's greeted every morning with a kiss from his "Beverly Hillbillies" master, Elly Mae. Then there's Rhubarb, a Patsy winner for his portrayal of Cat (type casting) in "Breakfast at Tiffany;" Storm, who played the title role in "Goodbye Charlie;" Cleo, everyone's favorite on TV's "The People's Choice;" Pluto, the versatile mutt who played Walter in "Bonanza," Smiley in "Hazel," Tramp in "Room For One More," and won a Patsy for playing Debbie Reynold's dog in "My Six Loves;" and Skippy, the shaggy haired moppet in "The Absent Minded Professor" who garnered his Patsy for "Visit To A Small Planet," starring Jerry Lewis.

Frank's menagerie of devotees includes Hollywood's fiercest dogs, hippest cats, biggest hams, and scene stealing exponents of monkey business. Bearing a closer resemblance to a meat ball than a frankfurter, he entered the animal business by accident.

"I always wanted to be a cowboy," he explained on the set of United Artists'



COFFEE BREAK – While John Hansen is before the cameras playing the title role in UA's "Christine," Timmy the Chimp takes a much needed coffee break in John's vacated chair.

"Christine," where Timmy was playing a trans-sexual monkey in a lab scene for the film based on Christine Jorgensen's life.

"I was riding in this rodeo," he recalls, "and fell off my darn horse. I was laid up for a whole year with a broken back and nothing to do. Then I struck up a friendship with a homeless little mutt. In a weeks time I taught him ten tricks. I showed the mutt to Rennie Renfro and he gave me a job as animal trainer."

That was 35 years ago. Since then he's gained 105 lbs, and several thousand motion picture, television and commercial credits for his animal clients. Unlike many actors who forsake their "Makers" once they become stars, Frank's actors remain faithful through medicare - and work for peanuts ... bananas, carrots, hamburger ... with Frank pocketing 100% of the lettuce. On the day we met he had fourteen animals working on various shows, each earning a minimum of \$200 a day while their trainers receive from \$75 - \$100 a day. It might sound steep but it's only chicken feed when you consider Frank's food bill averages \$250 a day, not including his wife, Mary.

But he's not griping . . . no sir. "These animals are like kids to me," he says as Timmy kisses his lips. "Would you deprive your children of three good meals a day just to cut down on expenses?"

While the answer was being contemplated, director Irving Rapper personally asked Timmy to take his place on the set. Rapper directed many of Bette Davis' films so he knows how to treat a star.

After finishing his coffee, Timmy walked over to the set and waited for Frank to put him in a metal cage. The scene takes place in a laboratory where Prof. Estabrook (played by Will Kulva) is lecturing to his students about sex,



TOGETHER – Christine Jorgensen and Timmy the Chimp get acquainted on the set of UA's "Christine," before Timmy prepares for role of trans-sexual monkey.

chemistry and a mixed up monkey named Maggie who was injected with male hormones and developed the psychological and physical traits of a male.

Timmy plays Maggie and newcomer John Hansen plays George Jorgensen, one of Prof. Estabrook's students, who becomes Christine later in the film.

Before the scene begins, Rapper and Frank are debating whether to give Timmy a real banana or a fake banana in the scene.

"If you want to shoot more than one take you better give him a fake banana," Frank tells the director.

"But it looks fake. I like realism," insists Rapper.

"So does Timmy," adds the trainer, "and once you give him a real banana he'll anticipate it in the next take."

"So what," quips Rapper.

"So he will go into a rage until he gets it. He'll get mean and vicious and you'll never finish the shot."

Rapper contemplates the problem and calls for the fake banana.

Frank is pleased; Timmy is disappointed; Rapper is pleased because the scene is underway; and Christine Jorgensen, the film's technical advisor, couldn't care less. She's lost 12 lbs. since production started – and it wasn't the result of worrying whether a trans-sexual monkey should eat a real or fake banana. Those are the peculiar problems of Frank Inn – and because he worries. Timmy, Arnold, Tramp, Cleo, Skippy, Rhubarb and Gousin Bee all have sweet dreams – and Frank has an even sweeter bank account.

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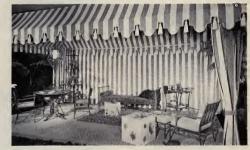
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FAMOUS CAR – John Carradine relaxes behind the wheel of a \$30,000 Delague that is now part of the Picture Car Company collection. The car will soon be on display in the new museum of Hollywood Cars of the Stars, to open next year in Buena Park.



ANXIOUS FAN - A lady tourist from Canada asks Carradine for an autograph during a pause in shooting "Buena Park - Just For Fun."



INFORMAL MOMENT – John Carradine chats with actors (from Left) Anthony Jameson, Anthony Jameson, Jr., Doreen Jameson and Grant Cannon between takes.



OUIET STUDY - Carradine, veteran of 389 movie roles reflects on his past work and looks forward to new worlds to conquer in the industry.

JOHN CARRADINE CELEBRATES 400TH FILM

By John Ringo Graham

John Carradine's voice boomed out across the entrance to Movieland Wax Museum with the familiar authority associated with his name. The crowd of visitors waiting to enter the famed attraction moved in his direction with one accord. Carradine was appearing in a promotional film for the City of Buena Park and was performing his lines flawlessly in front of the excited spectators with his usual dose of charm and grace.

Throughout his career in motion pictures which has spaned more than 30 years and some 389 roles (he doesn't count TV or theatrical productions) he has been closely associated with the San Fernando Valley. He would come to the valley with his friends on motorcycles in the happy pre-war years, and one of his ten sons lives there now.

The star is intensely proud of his boys. All of them have carved successful lives for themselves. Among the roster of Carradine offspring he can find an architect, a lawyer, two actors, a dentist, a law student, and a carefree soul wandering from country to country exploring the world.

Recently a lifelong dream of the actor was fulfilled when David, one of the youngest members of his clan appeared in a picture with him. "The Good Guys and the Bad Guys" now in current release has been given top reviews by critics and special note was given to the two Carradine's. Since then, David appeared in "Young Billy Young" with Robert Mitchum, also in current release in the valley.

A treasured momento of Carradine is the star off the dressing room door of his son, when the youth appeared in a Broadway show following his footsteps. At Orange County, Carradine made a starring appearance in "Buena Park -

Just For Fun" a promotional movie for the city which will be screened in 300 U.S. cities this spring. It is the first time a Southern California Chamber of Commerce has made a film with a star of Carradine's stature in the title role. And one of the first screenings will be held in the valley.

Throughout his life, Carradine has been excited by the theatre. In the early days of his apprenticeship, he would stroll back and forth in front of the Broadway department store at Hollywood and Vine where catching his reflection in the windows, he would recite Shakespeare by the hour to the delight of people passing by.

As a child, a German step father beat him regularly and one day the man opened the door and told the youth, "Get out!" He did, and shortly afterwards the man died ending this troubled period of his life. His mother died a few months later. As resourceful and ambitious young actor he first found work in Boston where he got the smell of grease paint in his blood. From then on, he was never interested in anything but acting.

Because of his early stage experience and resonate voice. Carradine was able to find Shakespearean roles to play frequently. The Bard is never far from his conversation today, as a result on this early training. Even when chatting with friends or business aquaintances, he is likely to pop in some prose of the famous English playwright to make his points.

During the late 1920's, Carradine met Boris Karloff, another struggling young actor who also had a hard time finding anything to ear on a regular basis. The two men appeared in several legitimate shows around Los Angeles and were great friends throughout their long careers. Karloff remembered the struggles of Carradine and recommended him for parts in the various horror films he was becoming famous for in the depression. Both men made a reputation in this field. But even though he liked the money, he was happy to make other pictures.

Still Carradine was more interested in straight dramatic work and sought the serious roles then available rather than continue in the lucrative, but low prestige horror productions at Universal. Today he is in demand for college lectures on literature and spends much of the school year on tour at colleges and universities.

Besides "Buena Park - Just For Fun," Carradine has been signed for parts in "The Virginian," and other up coming television series this winter. His career is really in full swing as far as he is concerned. He isn't concerned about to consider retirement. Even though he has quit the San Fernando Valley for the time being at least, he isn't far away.

Ever since he appeared in "Captain's Couragous," with Spencer Tracy, Carradine has had a strong love for the sea. His present home in Oxnard, is on the beach where the constant lapping of the ocean waves can be heard outside his front windows. His face is tanned a deep mahogany and rarely needs makeup, in fact he is proud of donning his favorite vachting cap, the star is the picture of an old sea dog whose face has been tanned by the elements.

On the set at Buena Park, Carradine met Alex Goodman, the chamber of commerce manager and was impressed by the ambitious plans Goodman outlined for the future development of activities in the city. Through his own years of public service and assistance in fund raising projects, Carradine was surprised at the fast moving pace Goodman has set for the Southland city.

Unlike many of his peers, Carradine is

John Carradine

as busy today as he ever was. Committments to TV, motion pictures and possible stage shows fill his slate of future roles. He is satisfied with past accomplishments, and looks forward to new heights to climb in the future. He is quite a man.



PIONEER RESIDENT – Mrs. Coda a pioneer resident of Buena Park posed with Carradine shortly after lunch in her restaurant. One of the first residents of Buena Park, Mrs. Coda is now a good friend of the actor.

HAL WALLIS - ' MR.CLEAN '

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EDITORS NOTE: As we were going to press it was announced that "Anne of the Thousand Days" has been selected by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, for a Royal Film Performance, February 23rd, 1970.

This is the most coveted honor that can be given a film in England, and ranks with an Academy Award in the United States. A special seven-day consecutive run at Loew's Beverly Theatre, Beverly Drive and Wilshire Blvd., Beverly Hills, will begin on December 18th to qualify "Anne of the Thousand Days" for Academy Award consideration.

individual and is custom made to the last detail. Every word, every line in the script, every piece of acting, every bit of casting, is an individual operation." Men who make money in the business world, rarely have the creative sensitivity Wallis feels to control motion picture production.

For this reason, Wallis insists on retaining all creative control of his films.

Studios who sign him up are happy to accept his terms knowing full well they couldn't get him or his money making talents any other way.

When he was head of the Warner Bros. studio in the San Fernando Valley, he arrived at work to find a sign painter removing his name from the door and replacing it with that of Richard Zanuck.

Wallis sat down and started to laugh. A few weeks before he had inserted a situation exactly like it in one of his movies. When Zanuck moved on to greener pastures as head of 20th Century-Fox, he was invited back to the studio as chief of production, but he never lost his perspective or sense of humor. He looks like a middle aged stock broker, or a successful insurance man today, and his desk is kept neat. there is an air of calm about him that breeds confidence. After 40 years, Wallis has no plans to retire. Currently he does two pictures a year. If he retires, he will cut back production to one a year. In the meantime he plans to continue his pursuit of the "G" rating. To his way of thinking, it is a symbolic rainbow whose pot of gold is box office success. Let other producers clutch at straws and exploit sex on the screen, Hal Wallis knows there is a better way of doing things.



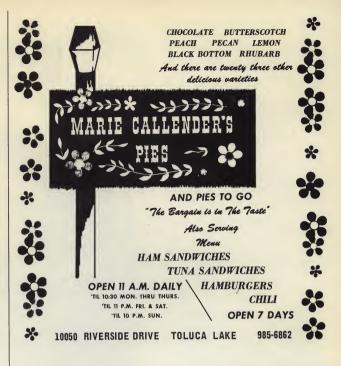
Eye On Hollywood



RECOGNIZE HIM? – In four recent pictures Ian Bannen (above) has played a bearded soldier in "Too Late The Hero," an Indian fighter in "The S.O.B.'s," a swinging ladles man in "Lock Up Your Daughters," and a grizzled seaman in "The Sailor From Gibralter." This is the Academy Award nominee' ("Flight Of The Phoenix") as he really looks.



HOT PILOT – Although he served with distinction in the British Army in Korea, Michael Caine plays an RAF pilot about whom Winston Churchill declared: "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few." Scene is from UA's "The Battle of Britain."





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by Betty Hooten

The appointment of two new senior vice presidents was announced by Stanley R. Jaffe, executive vice president and chief operating officer of Paramount Pictures Corporation.

Named to the newly created posts were Robert Evans who has been vice president in charge of worldwide production and Bert N. Obrentz, vice president distribution. Evans will continue to supervise Paramount's worldwide production activities and Obrentz will be in charge of the worldwide distribution organization which will include supervision of all sales and advertising activities.

Paramount is losing its publicist, Robert Yeager to Columbia Pictures. Bob did publicity work recently on "On A Clear Day You Can See Forever" and "A New Leaf". When he reports to producer Stanley Kramer at Columbia on Monday, November 17, he will begin work on new film "RPM".

The former Maxine Kamins, Data Processing Department, became Mrs. Joel Zuieback in September. Maxine used to conduct the executive tours around the studio and made a lot of friends, some of whom might still be calling her Kamins – it's Maxine Zuieback, everybody.

Another wedding will be taking place soon, but no exact date has been set for Debbie Weiner (Bob Goodfried's secretary) and Philip Beaver of Toronto, (her hometown). They became engaged – by phone – in October, and he is coming in from Canada mid-December Always answer those phone calls, girls!!

November 11 was significant for at least two people in Publicity. Aside from being Veterans Day, it was the birthday of Yours Truly and the second wedding anniversary of Carol and Jerry Pokuta. We had a little party, and there were so many candles on the cake, there wasn't any room for "Happy Birthday"...

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Congratulations to newlyweds Art and Meta Wilde. Art was unit publicist on such Paramount Pictures as "True Grit" and "Norwood".



BERT N. OBRENTZ



ROBERT EVANS



Wendell Burton, co-star of "The Sterile Cuckoo" and date, Kendora Patten at preview party for the film "The Sterile Cuckoo" at Directors Guild. CINEMA CENTER FILMS



MIDNIGHT IN MISSOURI – Michael Douglas (striped shirt) and Joe Don Baker (dotted shirt) co-stars of Cinema Center Films' "ADAM AT SIX A.M.," enjoy an evening on the town, after a week of hard work as telephone linemen.



"ADAM AT SIX A.M.," an original screenplay by Stephen and Elinor Karpf, also stars Lee Purcell in her motion picture debut, and is being directed by Robert Scheerer on location in Missouri. Rick Rosenberg and Robert Christiansen are the producers.

LITTLE BIG MAN – America's new film sex symbol, Dustin Hoffman, shown astride his horse in Cinema Center Films' new tragi-comedy "LITTLE BIG MAN" currently filming on location in Montana and Canada. Hoffman plays'a variety of characters including an Indian brave and a scout for Gen. George Custer but he gets out of the saddle long enough to get a gaggle of girls, including Faye Dunaway in the Stockbridge-Hiller production directed by Arthur Penn.



SECOND GENERATION – Michael Douglas, Kirk's son, is shown in a scene from Solar Productions' "ADAM AT SIX A.M.," for Cinema Center Films. "ADAM AT SIX A.M.," the story a young Californian who returns to his father's hometown in Missouri in search for new values, is Douglas' second motion picture. He is currently starring in Cinema Center Films' "Hail, Hero!"



Eye On Hollywood



WHAT'S IN A NAME? - If it's Alf Elson "famed Swedish actor", that's a good question. Actually, if you add an "R" in front of the first name and an "N" in front of the last, you have Ralph Nelson (above) noted director ("Charly", "Lilies of the Field") who always plays a role in each of his pictures. As Alf Elson, he will portray a cavalry officer in "Soldier Blue" now shooting in Mexico.



SPEEDY GUY - Chris George, who drives a racing car for pleasure, made his hobby pay off when he played a high-speed test driver in the ABC Movie of the Week, "The Immortal," which insiders say is a cinch series for 1970-71. George climbed out of the racing cockpit to co-star with John Wayne in "Chisum" currently on location in Mexico.

the Hollywood Scene



Karl Malden (left) and Hume Cronyn are welcomed to Universal Studios by pretty Tour Guide Susan Cook. The veteran actors brought 35 members of the cast and crew of "Hadrian VII" to tour Universal and spent the afternoon roaming the 420 acres before returning to Hollywood for the evening performance.



Universal Tour Center coupon drawing: the 4-year-old is Cindy Clark, daughter of Dick Clark. The men are vice presidents of KPRO radio in Riverside. (Dave Taylor, left, and Ralph Lawler.)

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Actor Hunter Roberts, who "crashed Hollywood" with a camera, is shown with lovely Edy Williams. Hunter hopes to recreate his camera meeting with Edy in the forthcoming television documentary "Let's Crash Hollywood!"

LET'S CRASH HOLLYWOOD – TRIES AGAIN

Premiere Productions has acquired the rights to the documentary story "Let's Crash Hollywood!" scheduled for television syndication. The comedy narrative, to be filmed Mack Sennett style, will feature the bizarre methods used by newcomers to attract the attention of the news media and film producers. The production got a false start a year ago under another company banner. Premiere has re-signed the first stunter filmed to continue in the new production. He is Dennis Bundy, twenty-one year old escape artist who made his first professional showbusiness appearance on the Hollywood Palace television show, introduced as the "modern Houdini." The first new stunter signed is Hunter Roberts, who "crashed" Hollywood with a camera. He will recreate his own incidents. Premiere is also negotiating with New York publicist Jim Moran, who captured headlines during the Thirties. The projected series will be directed by press agent Glenn Gregory, creator of the idea.



BEAUTIFUL DOWNTOWN BURBANK'S NEWEST BEAUTIFUL FIGURE - Joining the zany "Laugh-In" crew for the first time this year is kooky Pamela Rodgers, who wore bikinis in her first 10 Hollywood Features and can't understand why NBC publicity department handed her the above attire for her first picture sitting.



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Self, president of 20th Century-Fox Television, told some 700 campaign workers that Fair Plan payroll deductions pledged in previous years have raised the fund's continuing backlog of contributions to the \$1.2 million mark.

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That first campaign, Self said, was conducted with little time for organization between the time of the merger and the start of the campaign.

The 1969 campaign, at the close of the fiscal year last June 30, showed a total of 27,597 subscriptions representing \$1,424,735 in cash contributions and pledges.

PCC President Paul Wilkins, in introducing Self, told the luncheon audience that cash disbursements to agencies last year reached a total of \$1,116.993.

In addition, Wilkins said, the committee made special grants and awards to 18 agencies, earmarked for specific purposes, totaling \$205,000.







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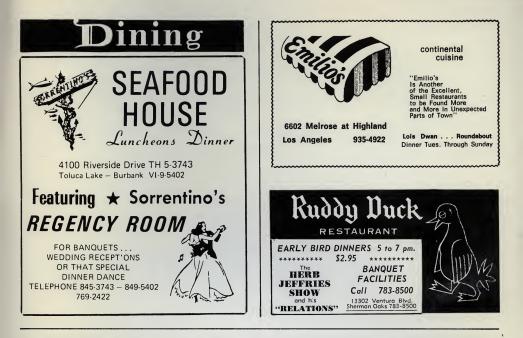
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